#### THE DISPATCH FOUNDED 1886. WHOLE NUMBER 17,932. CONTRACT MATTER Request of Abel That There No Prosecution of Boyd.

# MUCH DISCUSSED ON OPENING DAY

New Form of Agreement, Satisfactory to All, Will be Drafted.

#### MAYOR'S ADDRESS CAUSES FLUTTER

President Tanner Makes Appeal for Conservatism in State Legislatures-Address by Governor Johnson Feature for To-Night-Papers Presented Yesterday.

or the National Charities Contenence, ing to reports emanating from the which charged to the South many of room, the chances seemed to indicate fenses against the working class, the address brought forth a wave of applause, expressive of the feeling of those accused.

Incipient cases of attacks on cars

#### DIES FROM THE WOUND

Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
EVILLE, N. C., May 20.—Henry
a former chief of police of
sville, who was shot on the

#### LET MAJORITY RULE

## ROCKEFELLER HAS CONTROL

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The contract in two forms came prominently into the proceedings of the day. A committee, of which Captain Eillson A. Smyth, of South Carolina, is chairman, was appointed to confer with delegations from the New York and the New Orleans Cotton Exchanges, in the interest of a contract which will insure the delivery of cotton of spinnable grades. One session was held, Chairman Smyth announcing in the afternoon that a formal report will be submitted to-day.

Integrity of the Contract.

The uniform sale contract, of greater importance, relates to the manumanufacturer and buyer, or commission agent, and on the integrity of the depends the success of all. Chairman Lewis W. Parker, of South Carolina, whose committee had been dealing with the subject for hours, sent in a report containing the recommendation that a larger committee be authorized to take up this matter during the year and to employ legal counsel, with the hope of preparing a form of contract which will be satisfactory to buyer and seller allke, and which will stand the test of the courts.

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FIGHT ON WILL CONTAINING BEQUEST TO VIRGINIA SCHOOL

past two the matter was discussed at the afternoon session, with the result that selling agents and spinners agreed that it would be possible to draft a suitable agreement, which would be satisfatiory and understandable, and which all could keep.

Pleads for Conservatism.

Before adjournment for the day a number of resolutions were adopted, their among them being a strong day mand for Congress to pass the bill for the preservation of the forests in the White and the Appniachlan ranges, Because of the delay in starting and the fact that local speakers exceeded program of the matter that local speakers exceeded their time limit for elecusers.

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## PLATT DENIES HE WEDDED MAE WOOD

Aged Senator, Tottering Into Court, Declares He Never Proposed to the Woman.

#### HE CALLED HER "KATTY BUT CAN'T TELL WHY

Admits He May Have Foolish! Addressed Her in Endearing Terms-Paid \$10,000 to Recover Letters-How His Signature Was Gotten.

was very much pleased with her, and liked her very much."

"Did she call you by any pet name?"

"Never in my life."
"Why did you like her?"
"Because she was an agreeable wo

"Did you ever at any time or place marry the plaintiff in this suit," asked Mr. Stanchfield, counsel for the Sen-

"Did you ever promise to marry the plaintiff?" "I dld not."

First Learned of Claim.

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The Senator said that he first learned that Miss Wood claimed to be his vife from a Chicago newspaper, he hought, in 1903.

"Did you ever give the plaintiff a wedding ring?"

"I never gave the plaintiff a wed."

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The lawyer handed the Senator the lleged marriage certificate, and the enator said that he never saw the aper before in his life.
"Did you on the night of November, 1901, hand that paper to the plainft?" never did."

9. 1901, hand that paper to the plaintiff?"

"I never did."

A number of letters alleged to have to heen written by the Senator to Miss Wood were read and he denied that he had written any of them. The Senator declared positively that he had never maintained improper relations with the plaintiff,

"Did you ever call her by a more nedearsts," asked Mr. LeBarbler.

"I don't believe I ever did."

"The word of the selection of the fifth of the coupy a certain room in the Fifth avenue Hole!"

"I don't understand why I did it. If told her to awalt my signal because to a warm of the fifth of the word of the coupy a certain room in the Fifth avenue Hole!"

Not in His Suite.

The Senator said he could not remember whether he kept the engagement, but was certain Miss Wood did not stay with him in the suite that hight. He said he was not in the habit of inviting women to the Fifth Avenue Hote!

Whether his secretary, Mr. Howe, was at the hotel on the night of November 19 190, nor could he say whether Mr. Howe, who had been a clergyman, remained a licensed minister while in his employ. He was sure, however, that he had never heard of Mr. Howe performing a marriage ceremony during that period. Asked If Mr. Howe signed his letters in fac-simile of the (Continued on Second Page.)

#### LIQUOR MEN BEAT BYRD

The Times Dispatch

#### DIES OF HYDROPHOBIA

#### SOUTHERN PUBLISHERS

#### JOHNSON MUCH PLEASED

victory.

A telegram from Johnson's manager at Birmingham stated that instead of Bryan winning 3 to 1, Johnson had polled 40 per cent. of the votes throughout the State; that one Johnson delegate at large had been elected, and one district delegate. Birmingham, Montgomery, Mobile and other cities were carried for Johnson, the last named by 2 to 1.

Michigan delegation in the convention of the convention of the convention of the convention of the selection as bishops of was instructed to vote for him under Rev. W. F. Anderson, of New York; the unit rule until he is nominated for presidency.

The instruction was by unanimous of the German Wallace College, at Berea, Ohio.

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#### GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO-DAY

Southern Presbyterians to Convene in Hancock.
Greensboro—The Men's Convention. Alterns

GREENSBORO, N. C., May 20.—The forty-eighth annual meeting of the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church will open in this city to-morrow.

The men's convention of the South A. M. Cummins of Lansing, and the appointment of committees, occupied the morning season of the convention.

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## NORFIK FIRE DOES DAMAGE AMOUNTING TO \$60,000

[Special to The Traces-Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, VA., May 20.—Fjre tonight gutted the four-story building
on Commercial Place, occupied by Samnel W. Steel, manufacturer of overails and underwear, and the Commercial Bank, entailing a total loss of
\$60,000, covered by insurance.

The fire started at 10 P. M., and all
four floors of the building were wreckcd. The stock of the Tait Seed Company, wholesalers, adjoining, was damagod by water. ed. The stock of pany, wholesalers, aged by water.

### No Ruce Suicide There

No lace Suicide There, [Speciatic The Times-Dispatch.] FREELING, VA., May 30.—Mrs. Patton Clay, of Nasble, gave birth to four children recently, the first instance of quartets on record in this county. Mrs. Clay has been married about eighteen months. She is the daughter of Allen Vanover, a farmer of Darwin.

WEATHER. Fair and warmer.

# BY GUFFLY FORCES

Pennsylvania Convention, After Hard Fight, Sends Uninstructed Delegation.

#### FIRST COMMITTEE, THEN CONVENTION REFUSES

Iwo Futile Efforts Being Made in Committee to Have Declaration Made for Bryan-A Hard, But Unsuccessful Fight Is Made on Floor.

## MICHIGAN FOR BRYAN

The men's convention of the Southern Presbyterian Church has elected officers as follows: President, J. J. Egan, of Atlanta, Ga.; Vice-President, C. W. Dorsey, Baltimore, Md.; Secretary, Charles S. Rose, of Fayetteville, N. C.

At to-day's sessions of the men's convention, which adjourned to-night, there were general discussions, in which many of the layment participated.

FLORIDA IS ANTI-BRYAN indications That Majority of Delegates Are Against Him.

of Missouri Delegates Make Demonstration at Every Mention of Name.
JEFFERSON CITY, MO. May 20.—
Vociferously applauding every mention
of William J. Bryan's name, delegates
to the Democratic State Convention today instructed Missouri's thirty-six (Continued on Second Page.)

#### HAVE NO CURRENCY BILL

#### VIRGINIA APPROPRIATIONS

#### ARE VOTING FOR BISHOPS

the presidency.
The instruction was by unanimous vote of the convention, and at no time during the sessions did the slightest opposition to Mr. Bryan develop.
For delegates-at-large to the national convention the following were chosen:
John T. Winship, Saginaw; Woodbridge N. Ferris, Big Rapids Charles H. Kimmerle, Cassopolis Edward Ryan, and Hancock.
Alternates-at-large—John A. Mc-Laughlin, Muskegon; T. E. Tarsney, Detroit; John F. Bible, Ionia; C. F. Dodge, Lansing.
The address of Temporary Chairman A. M. Cummins, of Lansing, and the appointment of committees, occupied the morning session of the convention.
The resolutions instructing for William J. Bryan were greeted with tremendous cheers and unanimously

#### HE MUST SUE HIMSELF

As Receiver and Trustee, Mr. Pace
Finds a Conflict of Claims.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
RALEIGH, N. C., May 20.—W. H
Pace, a prominent young attorney of

Indications That Majority of Delegates Are Against Him.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., May 20.—
Returns from yesterday's Democratic primary election are coming in very slow, being incomplete and it will probably be late Thursday night before anything official can be obtained.
Juncan V. Fletcher and Governor N.
B. Broward, for United States Sanator, and J. N. C. Stockton and W. Birt Glichrist, for Governor are running neck and neck.
Indications are that the majority of the delegation to Denven will be anti-Bryan.

Broward Has Lead.
Returns from yesterday's Democratic primary elections received here to-night show that Governor Broward has a decided lead for United States.

VOCIFEROUS FOR BRYAN

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Mr. Thom Doing Well. Ispecial to The Times-Dispatch.]

BALTIMORE, MD., May 20.—Mr. Alreed P. Thom, the prominent Virginia lawyer, operated on at John Hopkins a few days ago, is doing very well. His condition is not at all serious.

It is that was the reason the report not not been carried to its logical conclusion.

Raising his voice to a high pitch, Mr. Williams exclaimed:

"I am tired of the degradation of

# BAD FAITH, SAYS REPORT TO HOUSE

Scathing Arraignment of Connecticut Member by Special Investigating Committee.

#### GUILTY OF TREASON; SHOULD BE EXPELLED

Mr. Williams Very Severe in His Denunciation, and Could Only Account for Failure of Expulsion by Plea of Miness, House Adopts the

members of the House were above venal and improper influence. Mr. Higgins maintained that those who knew Mr. Lilley could not accept the committee's findings that he was guilty either of bad faith or of wilfully or knowingly making any misstatements, intended to deceive, or that he had any other than proper and absolutely right motives in attempting to reach the ultimate truth of the subject mater of the investigation.

Stating that at Mr. Lilley's telegraphic request he would not antagonize the report, Mr. Hill, of Connecticut, paid a brief tribute to his colleague, and expressed his confidence in Mr. Lilley's integrity and sincerity of purpose.

Mr. Lilley's integrity and sincerity of purpose.

Treason, Says Williams.

Following a statement by Mr. Payne that the committee was justified in its conclusions, Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, the minority leader, denounced Mr. Lilley as being guilty of treason.

"The very worst form of treason to a government like ours," he said, "is corrupt practice on the part of a representative of the people." He maintained that any member of the House guilty of corrupt practices was an enemy of the people themselves, "not only an enemy, but a tratitor." Such a member, he declared, was not a gentleman, for, he said, no gentleman betrayed a trust, "The very worst form of treason to the people," he exclaimed, "is to stigmatize as being cultive of corrupt practices (allow being cultive of corrupt practices follow

worst form of treason to the people."
he exclaimed, "is to stigmatize as being guilty of corrupt practices fellow representatives of the people who are not guilty of the charges."

He had no hesitation in saying, he said, that such a man ought not be allowed to remain a member of the House. The committee, he contended, had acted very leniently with Mr. Lilley, but he was sorry to observe that the Connecticut delegation did not seem to appreciate that fact.

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Mr. Williams presumed that the
reason the committee did not recommend expulsion was because Mr. Lilloy was sick. "No man," he said,
'ought to be arraigned and visited with
a heavy penalty without the opportunity of being heard," and he telt that
that was the reason the report had
not been carried to its logical conclusion.